

CHORAL EVENSONG
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2024

6 PM

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this service of Choral Evensong from the Book of Common Prayer. As the clergy and choir lead this service, allow the words and music to bring you into a stillness and prayerful reflection with God. Please join us in saying the words in bold. The hymns can be found in the separate hymn book. Indications for sitting, kneeling, and standing are a guide only.

St Peter's Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kurna people. We give thanks for their ancestors and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country. We are committed to work and pray towards a more just settlement for all Indigenous people and pay our respect to First Nations people with us.

St Peter's Cathedral is a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, mission-oriented faith community.

Last Sunday, Advent Sunday, in our glorious Carol Service, we heard woven through the liturgy the "O Antiphons", the Advent cry to God, "O". This is a cry of longing, of longing for God to come. The cry comes from places of great distress, from hearts that are broken, from human beings in families and communities and nations, in places where the truth and love and comfort of God seems absent for there is such pain. We might wonder if the cry comes not only from humanity but from our planet, from creation itself.

This Sunday the prophet Isaiah gives voice to our cry: "O that you would tear open the heavens and come down." (Isaiah 46:1)

May the music of choir and organ, and the words from scripture that we hear this night, nurture us as we ponder the world's longing for the coming of Christ.

The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson
Canon Precentor

Officiant: The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod
Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson
Readers: Chris Goodes, Bill Goodes
Choir: St Peter's Cathedral Choir
Conductor: Emma Simpson-Smith
Organist: Andrew Georg
Hymns: 51, 696

When the bell rings, please stand.

The choir sings

THE PRECES

Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)

O Lord, open thou our lips.
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

Please be seated for the welcome.

The choir sings

PSALM 129

Chant: David Cooper 1949 - 2008

Many a time have they fought against me from my youth up:
may Israel now say.
Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up:
but they have not prevailed against me.
The plowers plowed upon my back:
and made long furrows.
But the righteous Lord:
hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.
Let them be confounded and turned backward:
as many as have evil will at Sion.
Let them be even as the grass growing upon the house-tops:
which withereth afore it be plucked up;
Whereof the mower filleth not his hand:
neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.
So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you:
we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

Please stand

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please sit

THE FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 63.15-64.4

The lesson from the Prophet Isaiah, chapter 63, beginning at verse 15.

Look down from heaven and see,
from your holy and glorious habitation.
Where are your zeal and your might?
The yearning of your heart and your compassion?
They are withheld from me.
For you are our father,
though Abraham does not know us
and Israel does not acknowledge us;
you, O Lord, are our father;
our Redeemer from of old is your name.
Why, O Lord, do you make us stray from your ways
and harden our heart, so that we do not fear you?
Turn back for the sake of your servants,
for the sake of the tribes that are your heritage.
Your holy people took possession for a little while;
but now our adversaries have trampled down your sanctuary.
We have long been like those whom you do not rule,
like those not called by your name.
O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

MAGNIFICAT

Philip Moore (b.1943) *Third Service*

*My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.*

*He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Please sit

SECOND LESSON

2 PETER 3.1-9

The lesson from the second letter of Peter, chapter 3, beginning at verse 1.

This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you; in them I am trying to arouse your sincere intention by reminding you that you should remember the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets, and the commandment of the Lord and Saviour spoken through your apostles. First of all you must understand this, that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and indulging their own lusts and saying, 'Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since our ancestors died, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation!' They deliberately ignore this fact, that by the word of God heavens existed long ago and an earth was formed out of water and by means of water, through which the world of that time was deluged with water and perished. But by the same word the present heavens and earth have been reserved for fire, being kept until the day of judgement and destruction of the godless.

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

NUNC DIMITTIS

Moore Third Service

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Remain standing

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.**

**He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Remain standing. The choir sings

THE LESSER LITANY AND RESPONSES

Philip Radcliffe

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please kneel/ sit

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

COLLECTS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Please remain seated.

The choir sings

ANTHEM

Paul Manz (1919-2019) *E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come*

*Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.*

*Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy Lord!*

*Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!*

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

Please kneel or remain seated.

THE PRAYERS

Please stand to sing the Hymn.

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HYMN 51 – THE LORD WILL COME, AND NOT BE SLOW (ST STEPHEN)

Please sit

SERMON

The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

A moment of reflection may follow.

Please stand to sing the hymn

HYMN 696 – JESUS, WHERE'ER THY PEOPLE MEET (WAREHAM)

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,
be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please remain standing as the choir and clergy depart.

After this, you are invited to sit to listen to the organ postlude.

POSTLUDE

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992) *Apparition de l'Eglise Eternelle*

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NOTICES

Tea/coffee after worship

- The Sunday 8 am community offers tea and coffee after the Eucharist on the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place on 5 January.
- The Wednesday 10 am community offers tea and coffee after the Eucharist on the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 1 January.
- After the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist, tea and coffee is offered every week.

Advent 3 at Evensong - Story Reading from *Caravan* by Steve Daughtry

Next Sunday, 15 December, at Choral Evensong at 6pm we will have a "Story Reading" from a book of Advent Stories entitled *Caravan* written for the Anglican Board of Mission by Rev'd Canon Steve Daughtry. In place of the sermon we will hear read the story of Zechariah, Elizabeth and Mary. Following Choral Evensong all are warmly invited to the launch of the book at St Mark's College.

AV Upgrade

Today at the 10:30 am Eucharist we gave thanks for the commissioning of the new audio system, which has met with universal acclaim. There is still quite a bit to do, including work on the hearing augmentation functionality, some cosmetic work on minimising the visual impact of conduits cables, and getting the live-streaming function operational.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
Primate: Archbishop Ezekiel Kumir Kondo

National Bunbury: Bishop Ian Coutts (Anne)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide Archdeaconry of The City of Adelaide and The Port: Sam Goodes (Kate)

Diocese of Willochra Ceduna: David Thompson (Jenny)

Diocese of The Murray Mannum - Mt Pleasant - Mt Torrens: locum tenens Bruce Hicks (Melita)

For the People

We hold before God all those who have asked for our prayers, particularly:

Short Term Prayer: Bruce Williams, Bill Ashman, Francis Brooks.

Long Term Prayer: Max Lennard, Chris, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Helena Fernandez, Cricket Fox, Daniella, Peter Black, Norton & Judy Schenscher, John Hankin, Brooke Garry, David, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Garry Weatherill, Helen Scotcher, Fay Ballard, Joseph Burgess (WCH).

Those who have died recently.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

- 8th Sidney Mainstone
Lancelot Vivian Pellew
David Stewart Paterson
Henry Rymill
- 9th Lucy Edith Williams
- 10th Catherine Berry
- 11th Anthony John Sims Bridgman
- 12th James Welsh
Sybil Longman
Wal Trogler
Frances Fielden
Lesley Anne Taylor-Maddern
- 13th John Charles Bannon

*The Cathedral is compiling a database of the lives of those whose names appear on the Year's Mind list.
If you have any biographical details of any of the people remembered today,
please contact Stuart Langshaw - langshawstuart@gmail.com*

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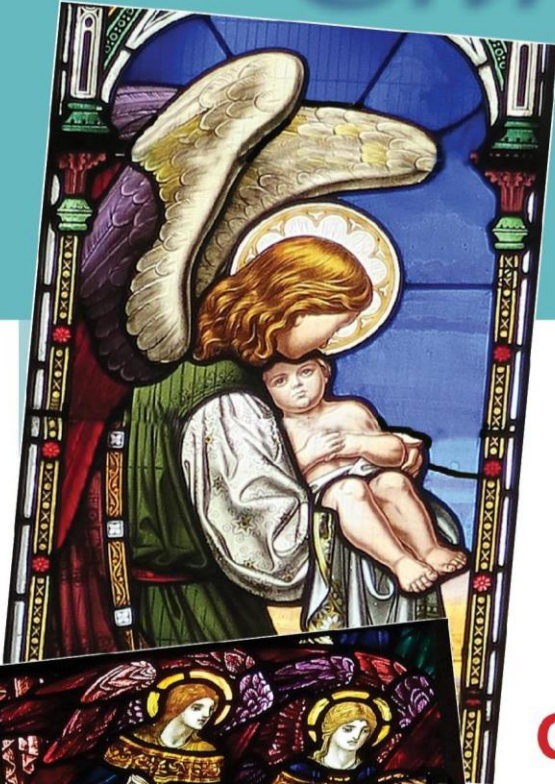
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All Welcome

Sunday 22 December 2024

6pm: **Blue Christmas Service** (Evening service with hymns)

A service for those who are struggling this Christmas. The simple act of lighting a candle serves to remind us that the darkness has not overcome the light. (John 1:5) With Festival Statesmen Chorus and Organ.

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday 24 December 2024

4pm: **Children's Crib Service**

Children are invited to come dressed as characters from the Christmas story. This service will last approximately one hour.

7pm: **Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols**

With the Cathedral Choir, Organ, and Brass

11pm: **The First Eucharist of Christmas** (Midnight Mass)

Doors open at 10.15pm
With the Cathedral Choir and Organ.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday 25 December 2024

8am: **Holy Communion (BCP) with Carols**

10am: **Festal Choral Eucharist**

With the Cathedral Choir and Organ.



THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

For some services, the West Doors of the Cathedral are not opened. Please make your way to the northern (carpark) side of the Cathedral and enter through the St Barnabas Porch.

MONDAY 9 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 9:15 am Morning Prayer (at St Barnabas College) 10:30am-1pm Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10 am Eucharist (BCP) (Lady Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30 am – 3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER	Closed
SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER ADVENT 3	8 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson 6 pm Choral Evensong For the Sermon: A reading from <i>Caravan</i>

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